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Subject Newark Oil/Haz Mat spill

Dwayne: The contact info for this response is: Bruce Doyle: 973-631-6388 c 201-697-6154

Hayder Camargo: 973-631-6351 c 201-697-6475

Hayder: has been the lead DEP official on this site since its discovery last Thursday.

City of Newark: Mike Myer 973-733-5915

I will put out a note on this and get the verbal going so you have it even before you get there but I would not pull the trigger on ERRS until you are out there and make the final determination based on the actions or lack thereof from the city.

The material in the 10 or more tanks may or may not be an oil? The solvent odor may be a lighter oil/kerosene to cut the oil for better combustion in a heating plant. You should get more info on this from the DEP and their contractors. I will get the verbal as though it is a CERCLA regulated material so you will have both options immediately available to you when you need to pull the trigger. You should also have someone notify the CG (see Hayder for the contact person), that we will be out there and give them the opportunity to take the action. I don't believe they will but since it's in their jurisdiction we need to give them that opportunity. Stay in touch with me by calling me on my cell 4505. Thanks and good luck!

Chris Notes on this

He never prepared a Polrep on this after I had reminded him to do so:

On Thursday evening we received a NRC notification (NRC# 922036) regarding an black oil and oil sheen on the Passaic River in Newark (29 Riverside Ave) the sheen was approximately 1 mile long and about 30 feet wide. There was a small amount of recoverable black oil 50-100 gal on the western shore line of the river. The oil appears to be a #4 oil, but it has a strong solvent odor

NJDEP called me and requested I respond to the spill. When I got to scene at approximately 1800 NJDEP, USCG and NJDEP's contractor were on scene. (Atlantic Response and EPS)

It turns out the source of the spill was in CG Jurisdiction.

In talking with Anthony Carl (NJDEP) on Friday he told me that at low tide they found a pipe extending from the river bank that appears to be the source of the spill. It was later determined that the facility next to the pipe is a old paint manufacturer that is now owned by the City of Newark. There is currently 10 USTs that ranging in size from 12K - 15K, 9 of them have material in them.

Since the spill is on-going the NJDEP will be looking for the Newark to take the lead for tending boom that is in place and to maintain the interceptor trench that DEP dug.

The lead for NJDEP is Hayder Camargo (201) 697-6475 Anthony Carl has been a point of contact as well (201) 954-6283.

I returned to the Site on Saturday Morning DEP was maintaining the trench and was running a camera up the line to try and figure out exactly where the line is leading. It is most likely not a line from the tanks since it is constructed of terracotta (sp?) As of Saturday afternoon they had not been able to find the source of the pipe.

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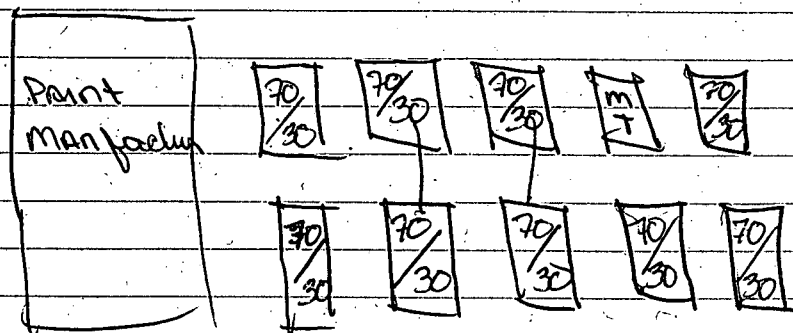
Newark property,
Burdwell Engineers is doing
work Newark

10 x 12-15K

terracotta pipe

dug intercepter trench
oil coming into trench

NSDEP put it ~~PBS~~ in Newark



Each 12-15K oil are full w/
70% product - 30% water.

NAPP Greco Called Newark
Newark Called NSDEP Newark FD

Passaic River Spill

NSDEP

A. Carl
D. Bergins
H. Camargo

Newark OEM

Clarence Berton

USCB Newark

PO Clark

PO Warkent

See NY Cons. Letter

718 354 4353

29 Riverside Dr.

At time of Reporting River was
flowing North slick initially
reported to be $\approx +1 \text{ mi.} \times 30 \text{ ft}$

at 1800 slick still over mile
heavy pocket of oil Black is
 $\approx 300 \text{ yd}$

River now flowing South
wind is pushing Oil to the
West side or 200m South
at 10:00

DEP has
Atlantic Resource
EPS on scene
putting out sweep and
savage

The oil although it appears
leaky (Waste/#4) the odor

has a solvent/kerosene kind of
odor

Q Petroleum Cloud was visited
by DEP and USCG they
observed Active Petroleum
trucks in the lot, a large
storage tank has oil in
the P. doesn't appear to be the
same facility.

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Atlantic deploying hard dam
to contain leakage & sweep
± 200 ft dam.

Newark has ball → may need
to refer → DEP → EPA

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